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A workbook to help English language learners write and talk about Hokkaido. This book is designed to supplement the *Twelve days in Hokkaido Q & A* textbook. This workbook is intended for people who work in the hospitality industry in Hokkaido or who want to show visitors around Hokkaido.

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Introduction

This is a workbook to help English language learners write and talk about Hokkaido. Students can learn about Hokkaido and improve their English at the same time. This book supplements the **"Twelve Days in Hokkaido: Q & A"** textbook. This is the second set of books in the series, they follow the **"Twelve Days in Tokyo"** books. For more information, please visit **www.premierpotentialpublishing.com**.

How to use this textbook

Students should complete the exercises in order. The exercises are easier at the start of each unit, and progressively get more difficult.

Each exercise will improve the student's English vocabulary, grammar, and knowledge of Hokkaido.

English language learners should write at least three sentences in a separate notebook with any words that are new to them.

Answers can be found at the back of this book and online at www.premierpotentialpublishing.com.

Day 1: Hokkaido

Vocabulary

cold countryside dairy farming fresh mountain park prefecture seafood volcano

Exercise 1

Unscramble the words.

milk / north / snow / wilderness / culture / hiking / winter island / lake / canyon / resort / national

1. swon _	SNOW	7. lturcue	
2. annyco		8. thnor	
3. ernewsilds _		9. ladisn	
4. inwrte	100	10. lkmi	
5. klea		11. ionanatl	
6. kinhig		12. soretr	

Write two synonyms for each word.

Example

0. cold	<u> </u>	<u>freezing</u>
1. delicious		
2. beautiful		AN R. M.
3. countryside		
4. lake		
5. flower	<u></u>	
6. view		
7. popular		
8. summit	ent :	
9. tourist		
10. native		

Exercise 3

Write the missing word in the blank spaces.

outdoor / tasty / seafood / long / capital / skiing / volcanoes / prefecture / population / inhabitants

1. Hokkaido is famous for <u>SRÍÍNQ</u> and snowboarding.

- 2. Hokkaido is the largest _____ in Japan.
- 3. The ______ city of Hokkaido is Sapporo.
- 4. The Ainu are the original ______ of Hokkaido.
- 5. Hokkaido has a low _____ density.
- 6. There are some active _____ in Hokkaido.
- 7. Winters in Hokkaido are _____ and harsh.
- 8. _____ in Hokkaido is delicious.
- 9. Hokkaido has ______ vegetables.
- 10. Hokkaido is a great place for ______ activities.

Correct the highlighted mistakes. Rewrite the sentences.

Example

0. The Tsugaru Strait connects Hokkaido from Honshu.

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1. Hokkaido is the second **<u>smallest</u>** island of Japan.

2. Summers in Hokkaido are <u>hot</u> compared to other parts of Japan.

3. The Ainu are the **foreign** people of Hokkaido.

4. Hokkaido was settled by the **<u>British</u>** in 1869.

5. Cherry blossoms in Hokkaido are pale green.

6. Hokkaido is covered in snow from June until April.

7. Most of Japan's metal products come from Hokkaido.

8. The autumn <u>flowers</u> are magnificent in Hokkaido.

9. The Seikan Tunnel links Okinawa to Honshu.

Rewrite the sentences using the highlighted words.

Example

0. Japan is the northernmost of Japan's four main islands. (major)

0. Japan is the northernmost of Japan's four major islands.

1. Sapporo is the largest city in Hokkaido. (biggest)

2. Winter in Hokkaido can be very cold. (freezing)

3. Farm Tomita is one of the most popular sightseeing **<u>spots</u>** in Hokkaido. (places)

4. Shiretoko National Park is an area of outstanding natural beauty. (exceptional)

5. The best month to see **fall** leaves is October. (autumn)

6. Different cities in Hokkaido have their own delicious versions of ramen. (tasty)

7. The Japanese crane is <u>a symbol</u> of Japan. (an icon)

8. More than two million visitors go to the Sapporo Snow festival every year. (annually)

9. Hiking is a popular outdoor activity in Hokkaido. (trekking)

Write sentences about Hokkaido using the adjectives.

Example

0. comfortable

The climate in summer is comfortable.

1. popular		
2. small	13 S. S. S.	
3. icy		
Star Tale		
4. world-famous		
	1 1 1 1 L A 20	
5. giant		
	S. D. S. S.	

Exercise 7

Write two sentences describing Hokkaido.

1.

Where should the following people go in Hokkaido?

1. A twenty-one-year-old man.

2. A newlywed couple in their late twenties.

3. A mother, father, and two young children under ten years old.

4. An elderly man and his wife.

Exercise 9

Write a passage for a magazine, newspaper, or website encouraging visitors to visit Hokkaido.

Answer the questions.

1. Where should be the first place I visit in Hokkaido?

2. What is the best way to get around Hokkaido?

3. Give me advice about traveling around Hokkaido in winter.

4. Can you recommend some things to do for someone on a budget in Hokkaido?

5. Tell me your top ten things to do in Hokkaido and why.

Vocabulary

Translate each English word into your native language, then write a sentence using each word.

 Example
 素晴らしい

 wonderful
 大い

 Hokkaido is a wonderful place to visit if you love nature and outdoor activities.

Day 1: Hokkaido

coast

culture	
fauna	
field	
flora	
indigenous	

mountain	
native	
nature	
northernmost	
outdoor	
prefecture	
scenery	5 n

Answers

Day 1: Hokkaido P.5 **Exercise 1** 1. snow 2. canyon 3. wilderness 4. winter 5. lake 6. hiking 7. culture 8. north 9. island 10. milk 11. national 12. resort P.6 Exercise 2 **Example answers** 1. delicious 2. beautiful 3. countryside 4. lake 5. flower 6. view 7. popular 8. summit 9. tourist

tasty attractive landscape pond bloom sight liked peak visitor

local

mouth-watering pretty scenery lagoon blossom vision admired mountaintop sightseer indigenous

P.6 Exercise 3

10. native

- 1. Hokkaido is famous for skiing and snowboarding.
- 2. Hokkaido is the largest <u>prefecture</u> in Japan.
- 3. The <u>capital</u> city of Hokkaido is Sapporo.
- 4. The Ainu are the original <u>inhabitants</u> of Hokkaido.
- 5. Hokkaido has a low population density.
- 6. There are some active <u>volcanoes</u> in Hokkaido.
- 7. Winters in Hokkaido are long and harsh.
- 8. <u>Seafood</u> in Hokkaido is delicious.
- 9. Hokkaido has <u>tasty</u> vegetables.
- 10. Hokkaido is a great place for <u>outdoor</u> activities.

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Exercise 4

- 1. Hokkaido is the second largest island of Japan.
- 2. Summers in Hokkaido are **mild** compared to other parts of Japan.
- 3. The Ainu are the **indigenous** people of Hokkaido.
- 4. Hokkaido was settled by the Japanese in 1869.
- 5. Cherry blossoms in Hokkaido are pale **pink**.
- 6. Hokkaido is covered in snow from **November** until April.
- 7. Most of Japan's **dairy** products come from Hokkaido.
- 8. The autumn leaves are magnificent in Hokkaido.
- 9. The Seikan Tunnel links Hokkaido to Honshu.

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Exercise 5

- 1. Sapporo is the **<u>biggest</u>** city in Hokkaido.
- 2. Winter in Hokkaido can be <u>freezing</u> cold.
- 3. Farm Tomita is one of the most popular sightseeing places in Hokkaido.
- 4. Shiretoko National Park is an area of exceptional natural beauty.
- 5. The best month to see **<u>autumn</u>** leaves is October.
- 6. Different cities in Hokkaido have their own **tasty** versions of ramen.
- 7. The Japanese crane is <u>an icon</u> of Japan.
- 8. More than two million visitors go to the Sapporo Snow festival annually.
- 9. Trekking is a popular outdoor activity in Hokkaido.

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Exercise 6

Example Answers

- 1. Hokkaido is a popular destination for snowboarders.
- 2. Hokkaido is surrounded by small islets.
- 3. The roads are icy in winter.
- 4. Hokkaido is world-famous for its seafood.
- 5. You can see giant snow statues at the snow festival in Sapporo.

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Exercise 8

Example Answers

1. He should go to Niseko in winter. He can go skiing or snowboarding every day. He might like to stay for the season and get a job working in a bar or a hotel.

2. The couple might like to go to Otaru and take a romantic stroll along the banks of the canal. The night view from Mount Hakodate is also quite romantic, though it can be a little chilly.

3. The family might like to go camping. Kushiro might be nice for them. They can get lots of fresh air and do outdoor activities.

4. This couple might like to stay in Sapporo in one of the hotels near the station. There are lots of great restaurants in the shopping malls for them to enjoy.

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Exercise 9

Example answer

Hokkaido is the perfect holiday destination for anyone who loves the outdoors and the fun and excitement of big city life.

Sapporo offers excellent shopping, wonderful restaurants, and it has an exciting nightlife. Other areas of Hokkaido are great for outdoor enthusiasts. Spring, summer, and autumn are great for hiking and camping. The scenery is beautiful, and the food is delicious. If you are more into winter sports, then you should visit Hokkaido in winter. Niseko is one of the most popular winter destinations for powder hounds from all over the world.

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Exercise 10

Example answers

1. Where should be the first place I visit in Hokkaido?

For your first night, I would recommend staying in Sapporo.

2. What is the best way to get around Hokkaido?

I recommend using a combination of trains and busses.

3. Give me advice about traveling around Hokkaido in winter.

Driving in winter can be very difficult, if you are not used to it. Roads are icy and narrowed from walls of snow. Snowfall can also make visibility difficult. If you must drive, drive carefully, and slower than you would normally drive.

4. Can you recommend some things to do for someone on a budget in Hokkaido?

Skiing and snowboarding in winter can get quite expensive, but if you come in summer then you should try outdoor activities such as camping and hiking. There are lots of cheap campsites and if you buy food from a supermarket, you won't spend much money.

5. Tell me your top ten things to do in Hokkaido and why.

First, I would go snowboarding to experience the wonderful powder snow in Hokkaido.

Then, I would spend time in Sapporo. I would like to spend two nights having fun in Susukino.

After that I would like to go on a journey trying different kinds of food. I would go to Hakodate and Otaru to try the fresh seafood.

I would like to go to Asahikawa to visit the nearby zoo and see the penguin parade. While I'm there I would like to try Asahikawa style ramen.

If I have time in winter, I would like to see the ice in Sea of Okhotsk. I am keen to take a ride on an ice breaking ship.

In the summer I would like to visit Rishiri Island, the pictures look amazing.

I would like to see some of the wild animals that inhabit Hokkaido. I would like to see endangered, Red-Crowned cranes, brown bears, and I would like to take a whale watching cruise.

Finally, I would like to buy some souvenirs. I have heard that New Chitose Airport is the best place to pick up souvenirs before I leave.